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IN AERIAL BATTLES
ON FRENCH FRONT

Germans Bombed Nancy and Killed 10 People Last Night

Paris, Oct. 17.—Ten persons were killed and 40 were injured in a bombardment of Nancy last night by German aviators, the war office announced. On Monday and Tuesday 25 German airplanes were destroyed by the French or compelled to land in a damaged condition.

BRUGES DOCKS
HEAVILY BOMBED

Tons of Missiles Were Dropped By British Airmen in Raid Monday Night

London, Oct. 17.—Tons of bombs were dropped on the docks at Bruges in Belgium Monday night by British naval aviators. The admiral's statement reported the raid adds that on Tuesday a British freighter patrol downed a double-seater enemy machine in the vicinity of Zeebrugge. The observer fell out and the machine turned over and fell in flames. All the British machines returned safely.

PICKETS GET SIX MONTHS.

Four Suffragists Received Heaviest Sentence Yet Imposed.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 17.—Six months each in the workhouse, the heaviest sentence ever imposed on White House suffrage pickets, was imposed yesterday on four by Judge Mulowney in police court.

Asserting that the women's party will not recognize any law in the making of which women do not have a part, the suffragettes announced that a monster demonstration will be held in front of the White House on Nov. 10.

The four who chose to go to Occoquan workhouse in preference to paying \$25 fine each were Miss Rose Winslow, New York; Miss Kate Hefflinger, Shamokin, Pa.; Miss Minnie Hennessey, Hartford, Conn.; and Miss Maude Jamieson, Norfolk, Va.

The heavy sentence was imposed on the recommendation of Ringgold Hart, assistant prosecutor, in view of a suspended sentence on a previous picketing offense by the quartet and because Miss Jamieson, in an address to the bench, said:

"We are not amenable to the rules of this court. We do not recognize this court, and furthermore will not recognize any law in which women have not a part in the making."

COAL MINES CLOSED.

Spreading Strikes in Illinois Are the Cause.

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 17.—More than 40 coal mines in central and southern Illinois, representing between 12,000 and 15,000 miners, were shut down yesterday and the coal mining industry of the state faces practical paralysis, operators here stated as a result of the spreading strike of miners who demand immediate wage increases.

Miners said they were given to understand that the new wage agreement, reached at Washington, D. C., would be effective without delay. Operators, on the other hand pointed to a clause making the increase contingent upon an advance by the fuel administration in Illinois coal prices, declaring present prices prohibit wage increases.

The Washington agreement provided for an increase of ten cents a ton for mining coal, a flat rate of five dollars a day for day work, and a fifteen percent increase for yardage and dead work.

NEW ENGLAND CAMPAIGN

Had Brought Total Up to \$95,879,000 To-day.

Boston, Oct. 17.—Over-night subscriptions of \$18,245,000, reported to-day through the Federal Reserve bank of Boston, brought the New England Liberty loan total to \$95,879,000, divided among the states as follows: Massachusetts, \$38,871,000; Rhode Island, \$13,478,000; Connecticut, \$12,988,000; Maine, \$4,944,000; New Hampshire, \$3,361,000; Vermont, \$2,227,000.

WOMAN INSTANTLY KILLED.

Mrs. James F. Rimer of Hartland Was Auto Victim.

Hartland, Oct. 17.—Mrs. James F. Rimer of this town was instantly killed shortly after 6 o'clock last evening when the automobile in which she was riding with her husband and sister, went over an embankment and into a brook. Mrs. Rimer was badly injured and Mrs. Rimer's sister was also somewhat hurt.

A NEWPORT CORPORATION.

C. J. Oben Company Has Capital Stock of \$25,000.

The C. J. Oben company, Inc., of Newport, with capital stock of \$25,000 for the purpose of dealing in real estate, has filed articles of incorporation in the office of the secretary of state. The subscribers are C. P. Oben, G. B. Lawrence, L. E. Groux, E. E. Brooks and J. A. Dupie of Newport.

BIG SHIP LOST.

Norwegian Themsis Sunk in Mediterranean—Crew Missing.

Copenhagen, Oct. 17.—The Norwegian steamer Themsis of 7400 tons has been sunk in the Mediterranean, according to an announcement by the Norwegian foreign office here to-day. The crew are missing.

FRENCH REPULSED
THE GERMANS

All the important infantry fighting last night in the western war theatre was confined to the French front, where attacks by the Germans in the Aisne and Champagne sectors, as well as in the Verdun region, were repulsed by the French.

There is promise of a speedy renewal of activity in Flanders, however. The German high command apparently is anticipating a renewal of the British drive as the latest Berlin statement, in reporting intense artillery activity in Flanders, remarks that no infantry attacks have taken place up to the present.

FACE SUGAR SHORTAGE.

Eastern States Have No Promise of Relief Till November.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 17.—The eastern states face a sugar shortage with no prospect of relief before late in November when the new Hawaiian and western belt crops arrive. In a statement last night forecasting the shortage, the food administration again appealed to the American people to cut down their consumption of candy and sweet drinks and at the same time gave warning that retailers already have received their stocks at prices recently agreed on and the public should pay no more during the temporary scarcity in the east than it has been paying during the past 30 days. The shortage is due, the administration says, to the failure of the public outside of a few loyal homes to reduce consumption and the unusual exports to France in order that the French people may have their meagre ration of one pound of sugar per person a month.

In regard to prices attention is called to the fact that by agreement the price of beet and Hawaiian sugar has been fixed at seven and one-fourth cents a pound, Atlantic and Pacific seaboard basis, under which the maximum retail prices at interior points should be eight and one-fourth cents, while by an agreement with the cane refiners and Cuban producers the price of cane sugar has been held down so that it should reach the consumer at about nine cents a pound. The administration notes that it still is waiting a reply to its appeal to the Louisiana producers to join in the agreement.

"There will be a temporary shortage in the supply of sugar to the area north of Savannah and east of Pittsburgh," the food administration statement said, "during the latter part of October and the month of November, pending the arrival in the market of new sugar. The beet sugar factories in the western states are rapidly coming into action, and, together with the Hawaiian production will be able in a short time to take care of the sugar supply in the area west of the territory referred to."

SIX FARMERS ACCUSED.

Concord Men Alleged to Have Sold Watered Milk.

Concord, Oct. 17.—The Hood company of Boston is alleged to have found six farmers in this town who have been supplying adulterated milk to them regularly. The six accused men have been arrested under the pure food act and have been given bail of \$200 each before United States Commissioner Blodgett for their appearance at the December term of the federal court at Braintree. Alleged evidence of milk being watered was secured through inspectors and the farmers accused are Don't Forrest, Clyde A. Crowell, Ora A. Fisher, Benjamin P. Belden, George Kenerson and Fred W. Smith.

409 VERMONTERS ENLISTED

In Navy Up to Sept. 30—Expenses Were \$8,306.92.

Chief Master-at-Arms Charles Mitchell has received the report of the number of men enlisted in the navy from Vermont and the expenses for doing that work in the first three periods of three months each in 1917. The total number enlisted up to Sept. 30 is 409, of which are 76 from the Washington county office who have been enlisted since the office was opened in February.

The report shows a total expense of \$8,306.92 or an average of \$20.31 per man.

ELDERLY MAN A SUICIDE.

Wallace French of St. Johnsbury Hanged Himself.

St. Johnsbury, Oct. 17.—Wallace French, aged 65, committed suicide late yesterday afternoon by hanging himself in his barn on Summer street. He had been in poor health for the past few weeks and unusually despondent. He leaves a wife and two sons, Eldridge of Utica, N. Y., and Lindol of Sayville, R. I. He was a native of Glover and had been employed in his brother-in-law's grocery store. He also leaves two brothers and four sisters.

WITHOUT LOSS OF LIFE.

American Fleet Has Steamed 875,000 Miles.

Base of American flotilla in British water, Sept. 30.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—In the five months of active service that they have seen in the great war, American destroyers have steamed collectively a total distance of 875,000 miles. This is more by several miles than the distance cruised in two whole years of peace. And what makes the figures all the more impressive is that they have been reached without the loss through accident of war of a single life or very serious mishaps to any of the units.

Central Vermont Pomona Grange.

Central Vermont Pomona grange will hold a special meeting with North Randolph grange, No. 410, Wednesday, Oct. 24, beginning at 10:30 a. m., opening in form. Necessary business will be transacted and reports of subordinate granges will be heard. At 12 dinner will be served and a social hour will follow. A public session opens at 1:30 p. m. with the following program: Welcome, V. C. Farr, master North Randolph grange; response, C. B. Benjamin, overseer Central Vermont Pomona; music, recitations and discussions will be given as time will permit.

DEMAND HEAD
OF MICHAELIS

German Socialists Threaten to Vote Against Proposed War Credit

UNLESS OFFICIAL
RESIGNS POST

Reichstag Is to Act on the New Loan in December

Amsterdam, British admiralty per Wireless Press, Oct. 17.—A German Socialist newspaper says that the Socialists have decided to vote against the new war credit of 10,000,000 marks, which is to be submitted to the Reichstag in December, unless Chancellor Michaelis resigns.

EAGER AT CAMP DEVEN.

Soldiers Are Practicing Art of War at Odd Times.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 17.—Men of the national army are developing a spirit that augurs well for the future of the force, formal reports reaching the war department from several cantonments show. The young soldiers are throwing themselves into the work with a zeal that has aroused the enthusiasm of their officers.

Especially gratifying to officials are reports from Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., and in order to learn the spirit of the men at all training camps, the department decided yesterday to call upon divisional commanders for reports. At Camp Devens the company officers report many instances where the men come in from eight hours of intensive training still eager for work. Instead of seeking rest in their quarters, the new soldiers turn out into the company streets and continue practicing what they have just learned. They are eager to fit themselves physically for the great task ahead of them, the officers report, and a spirit of loyalty to their companies or their regiments is rapidly developing. War department officials expect that complete official reports will be at rest for some time to the desire for real service of the great mass of men in the national army. Already great difficulty is being found in inducing men specially fitted by previous training for a particular part of the work behind the lines to forego their places with the fighting units.

ENTHUSIASM AT MIDDLEBURY.

War Convention Attracted Large Number of People.

Middlebury, Oct. 17.—There was a big turnout Tuesday afternoon at the town hall to attend the Addison county war convention, the auditorium and gallery and vestibule being crowded with people from this and surrounding towns. The high school was closed. Seated on the stage were the veterans of the Civil and Spanish wars, members of the school committee and committee of arrangements.

President John M. Thomas of Middlebury college presided, introducing as speaker, Joseph E. O'Toole, assistant secretary of the United States Senate, whose address was along patriotic lines. He was followed by Prof. William B. Guthrie, professor of civics at the College of New York, who spoke on the underlying causes of the present war and the size of the proposition.

The next speaker was Newton W. Gilbert, ex-governor of the Philippine islands, who told his audience what the flag meant to the people in far lands and said: "We will win the war if all do their part and we and all other nations will be better than ever."

Charles Bigelow, representing Herbert Hoover, food administrator, gave the audience an idea what was being done in that department in the handling and conservation of foodstuffs.

RUTLAND RAILROAD DIRECTORS.

Were Elected at Annual Meeting in Rutland.

Rutland, Oct. 17.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Rutland Railroad company was held at the office in this city yesterday and the following directors were elected: Howard Elliott, John T. Pratt, Alfred H. Smith, William Rockefeller, William H. Newman, George F. Baker, Harold S. Vandebilt, New Haven, Conn., D. W. C. Cuyler, Philadelphia, W. Seward Webb, Shelburne, George T. Jarvis, P. W. Clement, Edmund R. Morse, Rutland.

Dwight W. Pardee of New York, secretary of the Rutland railroad, was present at the meeting. There were 59,471 shares voting. The board did not organize.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Addison railroad, Alfred H. Smith, William K. Vandebilt, Jr., William H. Newman, Howard Elliott and George T. Jarvis were chosen directors.

COUNTY Y. M. C. A. COMMITTEE

Selected as Result of Conference in Montpelier.

At a meeting called by J. B. Estee several business men of Montpelier gathered in the city court room there Tuesday evening and the matter of raising a fund for Y. M. C. A. work was taken up. After explaining the matter at some length a committee of one from each town in the county was selected, with Mr. Estee as chairman, as follows: Barre, City, Dr. O. G. Stickney; Barre Town, Dr. E. H. Bailey; Berlin, C. L. Slack; Cabot, Earl Rogers; Calais, D. B. Dwyer; Duxbury, B. E. Dwyer; East Montpelier, Walter H. Little; Fayston, Dan McLaughlin; Marshfield, J. W. Moore; Middlesex, Ralph W. Putnam; Montpelier, George L. Haseltine; Moretown, Burton S. Ward; Northfield, H. C. Cady; Plainfield, John S. Foss; Roxbury, George Royce; Waitsfield, Walter E. Jones; Warren, J. L. Spaulding; Waterbury, H. C. Whitehill; Woodbury, Dr. G. G. Hall; Worcester, Henry L. Abbott.

LETTERS FROM THE FRONT

Guy Andrews and Peter McAulay Tell of Experiences.

The following letter has been received by Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Andrews from their son, Guy Andrews, who is "Somewhere in France":

"Dear folks: We have moved again and have the best quarters we have had since we landed. In this village the inhabitants act as if they never saw an American soldier before and we are treated with all cordiality possible. Of course, it is quite a job cleaning up every new place we strike, but we are surely seeing some of the country and are learning minor surgery and practical bandaging."

"Six out of our corps were made first-class privates, which adds \$3 per month to our pay, and the best part of it is that I am one of them. Our corps is split up now so that two of us are with each different company and we learn much faster than we did when one or two men were doing it all, as it was arranged at the barracks."

"Our overcoats have been issued to us, and believe me we need them after 5 p. m. The mornings were foggy in our new location, but are still more so in this camp. Sometime when you get around to it, I wish you would dig out my French book and mail it to me."

"We are in one of the oldest towns in France and it is situated on a steep hillside. Our mail will reach us here before long, but of course we must give it time."

"With love,"

"Guy."

From his brother, Sergt. P. McAulay, of the 5th company, D. A. C., Canadian field artillery, now in France, John McAulay of Orange, who is employed in Barre, has received the following interesting letter, written under date of Sept. 19:

"Dear Brother: I guess you will be kind of surprised to hear from this quarter of the globe. For I suppose you must have thought I had gone under, seeing as I am so long in answering your letter. How are all your folks over there? Have not heard for a long time. They are as bad as myself in keeping up their correspondence. I received a letter from Margaret long about Christmas; also one from you. It don't seem very long, but of course it is longer than it seems. I suppose you will be called up by this time. How is wife and all? You ought to have a boy big enough to enlist soon. Donald and I feel like ten cents along side of you. Well, Jack, it is close on ten years now, isn't it, since we met last? A lot happens in that time. We are trying to beat Fritz to it these days, and by all accounts we are going to do it. Things are busier this morning than usual, but only busy enough to make it interesting."

"We have not had the pleasure of meeting any Americans here yet, although there are some around. Have any of the old crowd gone up yet? Any of the Fraser boys? I received a letter from one of our New York cousins last week. Vic is a captain in the medical corps. Charlie is senior lieutenant of a transport, while another is chief engineer on a submarine. I sometimes wish I had been in the states, as that is where I belong, anyway. By the way, am I right or am I only imagining things? Seems as if you said you were blind in one eye. That being the case, you won't be of much use to Uncle Sam. Well, maybe you're lucky. One never knows. We are having a fine time at present, although how long it will last is hard to say. However, we are not worrying much about the matter."

Well, Jack, this leaves me in the best of health and spirits and hope it finds you and yours the same. Best regards to Mrs. Mac and all the little Maes. I will close now, as I have a little work to do.

"As ever,"

"Peter."

FUNERAL OF ELVIO FRANZI.

Was Held from the Home of His Parents.

The funeral of Elvio Franzi, the nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Franzi of 11 George street, was held at the home yesterday afternoon, there being many people present. The bearers were Dino Viaz, Aldo Poletti; Amelio Calderara; Fred Gervasi, Mario Bianchi and Pietro Pironi. Burial was in Hope cemetery.

Floral tributes were as follows: Cross, J. Franzi and family; wreath, Stefano Molina; carnations, Felice Franzi; wreath, G. Redaelli; carnations; A. Bonifazi; carnations; Anna Ogilvi; mixed flowers; G. Altieri and family; mixed flowers; Valli & Lamperti; carnations; Restelli family; carnations; C. Civelli; carnations; Fumigalli family; carnations; John Rosso; carnations; little friends, Rino and Gasparini; wreath, "Your boy friends."

BURIAL AT EAST DORSET.

Body of Mrs. Ella C. Moore Taken There After Funeral in Barre.

The funeral of Mrs. Ellen C. Moore, who passed away Sunday afternoon after a long illness, was held in St. Monica's church this morning at 7 o'clock, the parish priest, Rev. P. M. McKenna, officiating at the mass of requiem. The bearers were: Martin Riley, Patrick Brown, John Drumgold, James Brown, J. Edward Murphy and D. M. Farrand.

At 8:25 o'clock the body was taken over the Central Vermont railroad to East Dorset for burial in the family lot in the Catholic cemetery. Those who accompanied the body were: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Moore, Mrs. Susan Carroll, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carroll.

2,392 BRITISH SUBJECTS

Were Registered in Vermont—Other Nationalities to Be Counted.

Figures which have been compiled in the office of the federal district board in the last two days relative to the filing of the names of aliens who are British subjects show that the percentage of British aliens who have claimed exemption runs from 1½ in one county to 25 per cent in the county where the largest number of British alien claims were filed.

Clark J. G. Norton of the board this morning gave out the following figures, total registrations in the state 27,438, of which 2,392 are British subjects. The same work which has been done by the Captain A. E. Williamson with British subjects will be done with all other foreign subjects.

MAY ENTER
WAR COUNCIL

United States Has Practically Decided to Participate

SEC. LANSING
ANNOUNCED TO-DAY

A Conference of Germany's Enemies to Be Held in Paris

Washington, D. C., Oct. 17.—While official announcement is being withheld, it is practically certain that the United States will be represented at the coming conference of all nations at war against Germany which probably will be held in Paris. Secretary Lansing to-day authorized a statement that it definitely had been decided that there would be a conference and that the United States was considering participation in it, with the possibility it would be decided to do so.

COLLIDING AUTO

FELL 25 FEET

None of Three Occupants Was Severely Injured in Accident at Montpelier.

The automobiles of Charles H. Thompson and Charles C. Taft came together at the top of Hubbard street hill on East State street, Montpelier, about 6 o'clock today evening with the result that Mr. Thompson's machine went over a bank into the garden of John Peck, some 25 feet below. Aside from a sprung axle and slight bruises to the occupants of the car, but little damage or injury was done. In the car with Mr. Thompson were Mrs. M. W. Nelson and Miss Elizabeth Nelson, her daughter. They were carried to their home on North street by Mr. Taft.

Mr. Taft was coming up East State street and Mr. Thompson was about to cross that street on Hubbard street, and they escaped with flesh wounds is a wonder to those who know the location.

CASE IS COMPLETED

In Which Frank Nichols Sued Grant Lane for \$2,000.

The case of Frank Nichols against Grant Lane to recover \$2,000 damages on alleged false representations relative to the value of a farm, which the plaintiff bought of the defendant, was completed to-day in county court. This morning the first witness was Henry A. Phelps of Barre, who gave an estimate of the value of the farm in an effort to show that Mr. Lane did not over-estimate the property.

Other witnesses were F. E. Bacon, Theron Williams and the defendant, Lane, and the gist of their testimony was that the farm was capable of raising good crops.

The case of William Snook and Henry Ahlberg of Boston against G. F. B. Standish, W. B. Standish of Randolph, B. F. Davis of Barre and C. E. Lowe of Montpelier has been entered in county court. The plaintiffs seek to recover the farm which they sold to Farrar, Lowe and Farrar, and which Lowe took over in the change of the firm and later sold to the Standishes, but which it is claimed Lowe and Davis still have claims to by way of mortgages. The plaintiffs pray for an early redemption of the farm by foreclosure proceedings.

In the case of state against Charles Gilchrist, State's Attorney E. R. Davis has filed information in county court charging him with grand larceny of goods from the Emmons camp. This takes the case out of city court. The companion cases of state against William Wagner and Marion Phillips on the same charges will stand on the city court docket. The case of State vs. George Long has been entered in county court.

SOMEONE FIRED BRIDGE.

Montpelier Firemen Put Out Blaze in Structure at Pioneer.

The Montpelier fire department was called out about 10 o'clock this morning for a fire in the southern end of the wooden bridge which crosses the Wisconsin river at the Pioneer. They found quite a little blaze going on top of the abutment and under the timbers at that end of the bridge. Evidently the fire was of incendiary nature, for there was quite a quantity of paper on the abutment. The paper and timbers were both in such a position that a match could not have been accidentally dropped to set the fire.

NO ARMORY CONSTRUCTION.

State of Vermont Will Not Build This Year.

As a result of a conference between General L. S. Tiltonson and Governor H. F. Graham, it has been decided that no armories will be constructed by the state this year. For the last four years the state has been constructing one each year, and the last legislature appropriated \$35,000 for that purpose so that the funds are available, but it does not seem advisable, at least this year, with high labor and the uncertainty of the military policy, to construct an armory.

Enthusiastic Food Conservation Rally.

Shelton, Oct. 17.—A rally in the interest of food conservation was held at Marsh's hall last evening. The attendance was large and the meeting enthusiastic. Congressman Frank L. Greene and Rev. S. W. Anthony of St. Albans were the speakers.

Is Examining Carl H. Low.

U. S. District Attorney V. A. Bullard of Burlington arrived in Montpelier this afternoon to visit Carl H. Low, who is held in the Washington county jail as an alien enemy. It is expected that some disposal will be made of Low's case.

TO PUT FRANCHISE
UP TO VOTERS

City Council Is Expected to Adopt It Formally Thursday Night and the Mayor to Call a City Meeting.

A prologue, two acts and an epilogue figure in "Passing the Buck," a serious production which the city council is staging this fall while collaborating with the officials of the traction company to keep away the well known wolf, which is due at the railroad's door around Nov. 1. The prologue has been made up of innumerable conferences between the council and the traction officials. The first act was given just before the council adjourned its regular meeting last night, when Alderman Alexander's motion to pass the revamped franchise to a second reading was carried unanimously. That the voters may have their buck before the end of the month, when the traction bonds come due, a special meeting of the council has been called for Thursday evening at 7 o'clock, at which time the city fathers will formally adopt the franchise on its second reading.

Only for a short time will the responsibility rest with the council, for it is the purpose of the mayor to call a special city meeting that the burden of giving the traction company a clean-cut decision, one way or another, may be shifted to the electorate. Sufficient warning must be given the voters, and it is expected that the special city meeting, therefore, will not be held until the end of the month is near. The epilogue will be staged at that time. Last night's action was quickly taken, and as the council men had previously talked it over frequently, there was no discussion.

The matter of a health officer was also discussed and echoes of a recent conference between the council and the state board of health were heard. Nothing came of the discussion except an exchange of opinions and views, as there was unanimity in the belief that the state board of health is vested with powers which even the city council of Barre cannot overreach. Mayor Glysson opened the debate by asking his colleagues whether they expected him to appoint a health officer. He said he got the cold end of it at the conference and desired an expression of opinion from the aldermen before acting.

Health matters were freely agitated, but a definite expression of opinion was not forthcoming, as the aldermen apparently are not of one mind when it comes to the matter of selecting a doctor to serve as secretary of the board of health. Criticism of Dr. J. W. Stewart by Mayor Glysson and Aldermen Rossi and Milne was shaded by their own declarations that he had done his duty, although the exceptions taken by them in the course pursued by the health officer had to do with the authorization of expenditures. Alderman Loranger retorted that the council that none of the persons who were summoned before the council a fortnight previous quoted any of the city officials as saying that the city would pay the quarantine bills. He asked the health committee what had been done in finding a possible successor to the present incumbent and Alderman Alexander stated that, so far as he knew, only one doctor would accept an appointment as secretary of the local board. Alderman Healy asked if Dr. Stewart had resigned. In reply, the mayor stated that Dr. C. F. Dalton, secretary of the state board, had made an evasive answer by saying that he had resigned tentatively. Alderman Loranger said he understood the resignation had been tendered but not accepted.

At this moment it transpired that the recent conference had developed into a discussion as to whether Dr. Stewart had done his duty, instead of a conference over the selection of a health secretary. Whereupon Alderman Healy stated that Dr. Stewart did his duty very ably during the quarantine and that if people were in need at that time it was perfectly proper for him to advise them to seek assistance from the city. Alderman Milne's objection to the course followed was concerned with the allegations that bills mounted up without the knowledge of the council. Alderman Loranger said that none of the information divulged by the state board of health tended to the discredit of Dr. Stewart. The mayor then stated that Dr. Stewart did his work well and that he complained principally because he did things without consulting the aldermanic health committee.

No action was taken in the matter, the main reason being that there was nothing that could be done. All members of the council expressed a common desire to have the powers of the state and local boards of health defined in the matter of appointment. Dr. C. S. Caverly of the state board was quoted as saying that the board always intended to go far in confirming a candidate named by the city council.

Other Matters Considered.

Negotiations on the part of A. H. Buzzell for a rearrangement of public lighting facilities at the corner of Pearl and North Main streets came to an end when the lighting committee reported adversely on his offer to illuminate the corner with a high-power electric sign if the city would credit him with the \$46 per annum now paid for a street light. The committee, in filing its report, recommended that a permit to erect the sign be granted, but that no contract be entered into with Mr. Buzzell. The latter was present with a diagram of the sign and reiterated his guarantee to light the corner as well as it is illuminated now. Alderman Reynolds stated that the council was averse to establishing a precedent and therefore felt disposed to refuse Mr. Buzzell's offer.

On the recommendation of the building inspector, A. L. Merrill was granted a permit to build a garage off Camp street; McDonald & Sons, to erect a stone shed in Batchelder's meadow. The monthly report on 48 minor permits issued was accepted. Transportation permits were given Joseph Pellegrini and A. Bernasconi to move henhouses, the former from Vine to Foss street, and the latter from Elliston to Railroad street.

The monthly report of Overseer William McDonald, covering doings in the charity department, referred to a council appropriation of \$950 and enough other income to make a total of \$1,204.18. Expenditures for the support of the poor and money forwarded to the city treasurer aggregated \$942.51, leaving a balance of \$261.67.

The following warrants were approved for payment: Street department payroll, for

IS FINED \$2,000
IN LIQUOR CASE

And Given Sentences Which Aggregate Twenty Months

CHARLES VILLA
THE RESPONDENT

Is One of the Heaviest Sentences Ever Imposed in Barre Court

Writs and costs aggregating \$2,041 and house of correction sentences amounting to 20 months, one of the heaviest penalties ever meted out in Barre municipal court was imposed by Magistrate H. W. Scott to-day on Charles (Manuel) Villa, whose plea of guilty on two counts alleging violation of the liquor laws was received at a hearing Saturday morning. No sooner had the respondent emerged from the court room than a deputy sheriff was ready to serve a civil writ in which it was set up that the respondent had failed to pay for several hundred dollars worth of wet goods purchased, it was said, from a liquor supply house in Boston. Negotiations looking toward a settlement of the claim were under way at noon to-day.

Villa's plea of guilty and the resulting penalties followed a raid which the police and sheriff's departments conducted a week ago to-day, when a large quantity of whiskey, claret, cocktails, beer and grappa brandy were seized at the respondent's premises on West street, near the Central Vermont railroad tracks. The man was admitted to bail in the sum of \$3,000 after charges of keeping and selling illegally had been preferred against him by State's Atty. Earle R. Davis. Villa retained Atty. J